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In re Application of: Paul Niezgoda, et al.

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## **REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a one month extension of time to file a response to Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional). A check in the amount of \$55 is enclosed herewith.

No additional fees are believed due. Nonetheless, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 22-0365/CHA347/4-001.

Respectfully submitted,

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